

Minutes of a Town of Pictou Regular Council meeting convened 6:30 pm in Council Chambers on the above date. Mayor James Ryan presiding.

PRESENT: Deputy Mayor Dan Currie; Councillors Eric Daley,
Malcolm Houser and Nadine LeBlanc

ALSO PRESENT: Scott Conrod, CAO
Nicole Battist, Deputy Clerk/Minute Recorder

1. PRIVATE SESSION – CONTRACT MATTERS (5:30 PM)

2. PUBLIC SESSION – CALL TO ORDER (6:30)

Mayor Ryan called the meeting to order.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED: M Houser
SECONDED: DM Currie

RTC-05-15-17-1862

MOTION: To approve the agenda with the following additions:
9a. Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal Month
9b. VON Week Proclamation
10a. UNSM
MOTION CARRIED

4. DELEGATIONS

a. Tall Ships 2017

Darlene MacDonald provided an update on the Tall Ships 2017 Visit. There are five ships coming to Pier C during Canada Day Weekend. Fireworks, children’s activities and pop-up shops will be happening as well. The ships will be open beginning June 30th from 12-5pm daily, but the pier will be open for the public to access before and after these hours.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. Regular Council – April 24, 2017

MOVED: DM Currie
SECONDED: M Houser

RTC-05-15-17-1863

MOTION: That the Regular Council Minutes of April 24, 2017 be approved as circulated.
MOTION CARRIED

b. Public Hearing – April 27, 2017

MOVED: N. LeBlanc
SECONDED: E Daley

RTC-05-15-17-1864

MOTION: That the Public Hearing minutes of April 27, 2017 be approved as circulated.
MOTION CARRIED

c. Committee of Council – May 1, 2017

MOVED: E Daley
SECONDED: DM Currie

RTC-05-15-17-1865

MOTION: That the Committee of Council minutes of May 1, 2017 be approved as circulated.
MOTION CARRIED

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

a. Quarry Pond Lease

A letter was sent to the Pictou Lions Club but no response has been received to date.

b. Spring Cleanup

The Town Cleanup was advertised in the Advocate, on the website, on social media and a flyer was placed in all water bills.

c. Westray Memorial

A plaque was presented to all Pictou County Municipal Units for their commitment in promoting and ensuring enforcement of safe work places. A ceremony was also held unveiling the Westray Wall of Remembrance.

d. Lot C – Proposed Option Agreement with Parsons Development

For Council's information, a draft agreement is being prepared.

e. Public Spaces By-Law (Busking)

Staff suggested using a combination of a model by-law and the Town of Wolfville's Vending By-Laws as a base to prepare a By-Law for the Town.

f. Skatepark Funding

MOVED: DM Currie
SECONDED: M Houser

RTC-05-15-17-1866

MOTION: To approve constructing and owning the Pictou Skatepark pending funding approval; and to authorize the Recreation Coordinator to submit a request to the Sutherland Harris Memorial Foundation for financial support towards the build of a skateboard park in the Town of Pictou; and for the Town to submit a concurrent funding application to the Foundation related to upgrades and renovations to the Pictou Fisheries Training Pool.
MOTION CARRIED

g. Welcoming New Businesses

Council agreed to develop a high-end certificate with a seal and proper frame, and to present it with a small gift which may include flowers or a Grohmann Knife.

h. OHS Policy

MOVED: E Daley

RTC-05-15-17-1867

SECONDED: DM Currie

MOTION: To adopt the Occupational Health and Safety Policy as recommended from the OHS Committee.

MOTION CARRIED

7. REPORTS

a. Municipal Corporations Report

i. Pictou County Wellness Centre

Minutes of March 13, 2017 were provided for information purposes. There will be a 5% increase in ice rentals next year.

ii. Pictou County Shared Services

None

8. RECOMMENDATIONS /REPORTS FROM PRIVATE SESSION

Nothing to report

9. NEW BUSINESS

a. Street Banners

MOVED: N LeBlanc

RTC-05-15-17-1868

SECONDED: E Daley

MOTION: To approve staff purchase and installation of street banners for 2017 on telephone power poles beginning at the Lionstone Inn on West River Road through to the junction of Water and Coleraine Streets.

MOTION CARRIED

b. Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal Month

A flag raising was held; the flag will fly for the month at Hector Square.

c. Proclamation – VON Week

The Mayor participated in proclaiming VON Week along with the other Pictou County Mayors, Warden and Chief.

d. Planning Advisory Meeting

A Planning Advisory Committee Meeting will be planned for either May 23 or 25.

10. CORRESPONDENCE

a. UNSM

With the provincial election call, the UNSM provided information on issues Council may wish to consider when voting in the election.

11. PUBLIC COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

- Question on Council minutes and busking
- Question on whether town crest will go on gifts for new businesses

12. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED: N LeBlanc
SECONDED: M Houser

RTC-05-15-17-1869

MOTION: That the meeting be adjourned at 7:30pm.
MOTION CARRIED

APPROVED

James J. Ryan
Mayor

Scott W. Conrod
CAO